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SECTION 03 OF DC NEW DELHI IN 19123

SERIAL: (U) IIR E 844 0333 85
PASS: ANEME KABUL FOR ASP
COUNTRY: (U) AFGHANISTAN (AF), SOVIET UNION (UR),
CZECHOSLOVAKIA (CZ)
SUBJ: IIR E 844 0333 85/SOVIETS DIRECT THAT ARJANA
AIRLINES BE DISMANTLED
REF: (U) THIS IS AN INFO REPORT, NOT FINALLY
EVALUATED INTELLIGENCE

REQS: (U) INITIATIVE

SOURCE: [REDACTED]

SUMMARY: ARJANA AIRLINES, AS
CURRENTLY ORGANIZED, IS BEING DISMANTLED IN THE DIRECTION
OF THE SOVIETS. THE CURRENT PRESIDENT OF ARJANA HAS BEEN
REPLACED BY THE PRES OF BAKHTAR AIRLINES, THE AFGHAN
DOMESTIC AIRLINE. BAKHTAR'S PRES IS A LOYAL KARMAL
SUPPORTER. POSSIBLY WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, THE FIRST
OF FOUR TU-154'S WILL BE INTRODUCED INTO ARJANA. THE
AFGHAN GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR BUYERS FOR
ARJANA'S TWO REMAINING 727'S. CREWS FOR THE INCOMING
TU-154'S ARE CURRENTLY IN TRAINING IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND
HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY SCREENED, PRIOR TO SELECTION AS
TRAINEES, BY KHAD.

TEXT: THE
KARMAL REGIME IS IN THE PROCESS OF DISMANTLING ARJANA
AIRLINES. ARJANA HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY AFGHANISTAN'S
DOMESTIC AIRLINES, BAKHTAR AIRLINE. THE FORMER PRESIDENT
OF ARJANA HAS BEEN SHUNTED ASIDE AND THE PRESIDENT'S
POSITION OF ARJANA AIRLINES HAS BEEN ASSUMED BY THE
PRESIDENT OF BAKHTAR AIRLINES, A LOYAL KARMAL FOLLOWER.

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2. THE
THE SOVIETS ARE BEHIND THE ARJANA TAKEOVER. THE SOVIETS
HAVE PUSHED TO HAVE THE AFGHANS SELL OFF THE ONE DC-10
(ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED) AND THE REMAINING TWO 727'S WHICH
FORM AN INTEGRAL PART OF ARJANA. THE
THE AIRCRAFT ARE A CONSTANT REMINDER OF THE UNITED STATES.
THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT HAS ENTERED INTO
AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS TO PURCHASE FOUR TU-154'S
WHICH WILL FORM THE CORE OF THE NEW ARJANA AIRLINES.
PILOTS AND CREWS FOR THE NEW AIRCRAFT ARE BEING TRAINED
AT THIS TIME IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. THE
THE FIRST OF THE TU-154'S MAY ARRIVE IN AFGHANISTAN AS EARLY
AS TWO MONTHS FROM JULY.

3. THE
PRIME MINISTER (KESSEH) IS BEHIND THE AIRLINE
CHANGEOVER

THE MOVE TO DISMANTLE
ARJANA CAME FROM A "HIGHER AUTHORITY" THAN KESSEH OR
KARMAL, I.E., THE SOVIETS.

4. THE
CURRENT AIRCREWS OF "THE OLD" ARJANA AIRLINES MAY BE
TOTALLY REMOVED FROM FLYING ONCE THE TU-154'S BECOME
FULLY OPERATIONAL. THE NEW CREWS FOR THE TU-154'S
HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY SCREENED BY KHAD
PRIOR TO THEIR SELECTION FOR TRAINING.
POLITICAL INDOCTRINATION IS A LARGE PART OF THEIR
TRAINING. TOO MANY DEFECTIONS HAVE
OCCURRED FROM WITHIN THE RANKS OF ARJANA AND THIS IS A
CONSTANT CAUSE OF EMBARRASSMENT TO THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT.
KHAD IS PLACING INCREASED EMPHASIS ON THE SCREENING AND
CHECKING OF ARJANA PERSONNEL PRIOR TO ISSUING THEIR
MULTIPLE VISAS, WHICH, AS A STANDARD PRACTICE, ARE
RENEWED EVERY SIX MONTHS. SOME ARJANA CREW MEMBERS,
DUE TO DOUBTS OF THEIR LOYALTY TO THE KARMAL REGIME, ARE
ISSUED VISAS WHICH ARE MARKED AS VALID ONLY FOR FLIGHTS TO
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PASS: AMEMB LABUL FOR ASP
COUNTRY: (U) AFGHANISTAN (AF), SOVIET UNION (UR),
CZECHOSLOVAKIA (CZ)
SUBJ: IIR 6 544 0333 85/SOVIETS DIRECT THAT ARIANA

PRAGUE OR MOSCOW. THE ISSUE OF
MULTIPLE VISAS NORMALLY TAKES ABOUT 10 DAYS; SINCE
KMAC HAS INCREASED ITS EMPHASIS ON HALTING DEFECTIONS, THE
ISSUANCE OF A MULTIPLE VISA MAY TAKE AS LONG AS 40 DAYS.

5. (U) EVAL OF THIS IIR IS NEEDED TO DETERMINE THE VALUE
OF INFO PROVIDED.

PROJ: (U) N/A
COLL: (U) AB
INSTR: (U) US-NO

EVAL: (U) YES, EVAL AGAINST INITIATIVE; DEL TO: N/A
ENCL: (U) N/A
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